



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

(RCW 34.05.310)

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Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Agriculture

**Subject of possible rule making:** Chapter 16-675 WAC, Calibration services, special inspection and testing fees. The department is reviewing its fees for inspection, tolerance testing and calibration services performed by the weights and measures program and may propose to raise them. In addition, the department may amend the existing language to increase its clarity and readability and update the language to conform to current industry and regulatory standards.

(a) Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapters 19.94 & 34.05 RCW

(b) Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Current inspection, testing, and calibration fee income is not adequate to cover costs associated with providing program services.

(c) Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:  
None

(d) Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study

☒ Other (describe) Washington State Department of Agriculture representatives will discuss proposed fee increases with affected stakeholders and comply with the filing, publication and public hearing requirements of chapter 34.05 RCW. Affected stakeholders will have an opportunity to submit written comments on the proposal during the public comment period and present oral testimony at the public hearing.

(e) How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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